

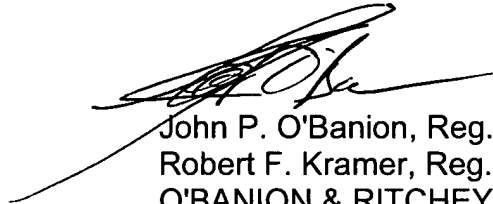
### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant submits the above new claim set in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment sent on November 24, 2004. The current claim set now correctly identifies Claim 12 as "currently amended." Please incorporate the remarks/arguments from the Applicant's July 22, 2004 Amendment.

The Applicant also respectfully requests a telephone interview with the Examiner in the event that there are questions regarding this response, or if the next action on the merits is not an allowance of all pending claims.

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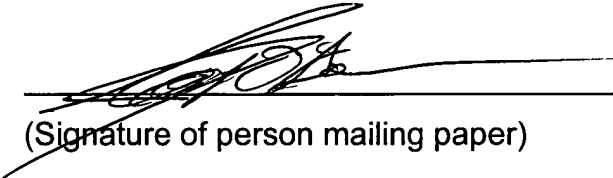
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